

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S7019–S7035*

**Measures Introduced:** Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2987–2992, and S. Res. 420–421. **Page S7031**

#### **Measures Passed:**

***Death of former Senator Adlai Ewing Stevenson III:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 420, relating to the death of the Honorable Adlai Ewing Stevenson III, former Senator for the State of Illinois. **Page S7028**

***Hispanic Heritage Month:*** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 417, recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month and celebrating the heritage and culture of Latinos in the United States and the immense contributions of Latinos to the United States, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S7028–29**

***National Domestic Violence Awareness Month:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 421, supporting the goals and ideals of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. **Page S7029**

#### **Measures Considered:**

***Freedom to Vote Act—Cloture:*** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2747, to expand Americans' access to the ballot box and reduce the influence of big money in politics. **Page S7028**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Catherine Elizabeth Lhamon, of California, to be Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Department of Education. **Page S7028**

Prior to the consideration of this measure, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S7028**

***O'Hearn Nomination—Agreement:*** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Christine

P. O'Hearn, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey. **Pages S7019–26**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, October 19, 2021; and that if cloture is invoked on the nomination, all post-cloture time expire at 2:20 p.m. **Page S7034**

***Lhamon Nomination—Cloture:*** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Catherine Elizabeth Lhamon, of California, to be Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Department of Education. **Page S7028**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, October 20, 2021. **Page S7028**

Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S7028**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S7028**

***Nomination Confirmed:*** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 52 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. EX. 414), Gustavo A. Gelpi, of Puerto Rico, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit. **Pages S7026–28**

**Messages from the House:** **Pages S7030–31**

**Measures Placed on the Calendar:** **Page S7031**

**Enrolled Bills Presented:** **Page S7031**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S7031–33**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:**

**Additional Statements:** **Page S7030**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—414) **Page S7026**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late former Senator Adlai Ewing Stevenson III, in accordance with S. Res. 420, at 6:57 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, October 19, 2021. (For Senate's

program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7035.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, October 19, 2021.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1091)

S. 189, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2021, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans. Signed on October 8, 2021. (Public Law 117-45)

S. 1828, to amend the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 to authorize the provision of payment to personnel of the Central Intelligence Agency who incur qualifying injuries to the brain, to authorize the provision of payment to personnel of the Department of State who incur similar injuries. Signed on October 8, 2021. (Public Law 117-46)

S. 1917, to establish a K-12 education cybersecurity initiative. Signed on October 8, 2021. (Public Law 117-47)

H.R. 2278, to designate the September 11th National Memorial Trail Route. Signed on October 13, 2021. (Public Law 117-48)

S. 848, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 in order to improve the service obligation verification process for TEACH Grant recipients. Signed on October 13, 2021. (Public Law 117-49)

S. 1301, to provide for the publication by the Secretary of Health and Human Services of physical activity recommendations for Americans. Signed on October 14, 2021. (Public Law 117-50)

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2021

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Nickolas Guertin, of Virginia, to be Director of Operational Test and Evaluation, Alexandra Baker, of New Jersey, to be a Deputy Under Secretary, John Patrick Coffey, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Navy, and Douglas R. Bush, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, all of the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine an international policy update, focusing on the Department of the Treasury's sanctions policy review and other issues, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Oceans, Fisheries, Climate Change, and Manufacturing, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Coast Guard, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Willie L. Phillips, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Brad John Crabtree, of North Dakota, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Fossil Energy and Carbon Management), and Charles F. Sams III, of Oregon, to be Director of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining, to hold hearings to examine S. 180, to withdraw certain Bureau of Land Management land from mineral development, S. 528, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to La Paz County, Arizona, S. 607, to discourage speculative oil and gas leasing and to promote enhanced multiple use management of public land and National Forest System land, S. 1214, to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to authorize the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into cooperative agreements with States to provide for State administration of allotment management plans, S. 1411, to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land to Lander County, Nevada, to designate certain wilderness areas in Lander County,